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hree rank On Mondays and Wednesdays Lyle Aldee wears white pants and a white shirt to school. On those days his hair is greasy and he smells like sweat and hamburger. Lyle works as a manager of a quick-lunch stand for nine hours before he goes to class.

Lyle is one of SAC's full time night students. A type of student apart from the levi-clad beginning intellectual that most people picture as the college student of today. One might apply the term, working class student, to those who struggle through the evening on their path to higher education.

"Some people don't even regard you as a student," said

As different as day and night; dichotomy between students

Lyle, a history major. "Once when I was trying to get a student discount on the airlines and the woman found out that I was a night student and she said, 'Oh, you're not really a student then."

"Most day students think of night students as old people who take a course or two because they have nothing to do at night."

Lyle, who is 22, has plenty to do with his nights. He is married and has two children, ages one and two. His wife, a registered nurse, works from four to ten in the morning.

Lyle realizes the difficulties that night school imposes on a working person. "The day students generally come to school in the morning when they are rested and refreshed. "He compares this to the night students who have to go to school after working all day. "Sometimes all you want to do is go home and relax."

Homework is another problem for Lyle. When do you do homework, when you work

from eight to five every week day and then go to school from five to ten on four of those days? "I do some of my homework during work and then study all Sunday morning." Friday nights and Sunday afternoons are the times Lyle uses to relax. Most of Saturday is spent at the hamburger stand.

"Last semester," he recalls,
"I fell asleep four times in my
history class. I sit right in front
so I won't do that, but I did
anyway. At first the instructor
gave me a nudge, but the last

two times he just went over to the other side of the room so he wouldn't wake me up."

Just because the class might be a little easier that doesn't mean that is why people attend night classes. "I don't know of anybody that goes at night because he wants to," says Lyle.

Lyle regards night students as the unsung hero type. "All the glamor is gone out of school," he says. "There is no social life. No dates, no football games, no elections, no clubs. It's all just work. I want my degree."

Lyle is not alone. There are 6,300 other students who do much the same thing. They come to school as many as four nights a week just to get an education.

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John Dean to offer perspective on Watergate

Jail-bird's-eye-view of scandal open to media coverage tomorrow

The ASSAC Senate was told this week to prepare for a possible overflow crowd at tomorrow night's lecture by former White House Counsel John Dean.

Don McCain, student activities director, said the Dean speech "probably, without a doubt" would be sold out. Cook Gymnasium, where the address is to be delivered, has a seating capacity of about 3,200.

In addition to local sales, tickets are also being sold at 14 other campuses in Southern California. McCain estimated that about 1,000 tickets were distributed on consignment.

David Rausch, public information assistant, said late Monday that a poll taken by the

"...Liddy was calling for mugging squads, kidnapping teams, prostitutes and electronic surveillance to compromise the opposition..."

Testimony of John Dean III before Watergate Committee, July 1973.

Community Services Office revealed that about 1,600 tickets had been sold thus far. The Community Services Office is co-sponsoring Dean's appearance, with the remaining half of the speaker's \$3,500 fee and \$200 expense money to come from the ASSAC budget.

The mood of the promoters was most likely summed up by McCain, who told the Senate that "from our standpoint, everyone's all smiles, regardless of what one particular radio station is saying or doing."

McCain's comment was in reference to KWIZ News Director Pat Michaels' threat to boycott all of the college's future news releases should SAC abide by Dean's refusal to have his address video-taped or broadcast live on television. Michaels claims the ban violates constitutional press freedoms

and discriminates against the broadcast media.

But according to McCain, "If it were Elvis Presley, Bob Hope

". . .talked directly to the President about payment of hush money to the defendents, he said it was no problem to raise the \$1,000,000..."

or Frank Sinatra (making the appearance) they (KWIZ) wouldn't think of such a thing."

Stewart Case, community services director, said Monday that he has offered to allow Michaels the opportunity to record Dean's speech. Case added that he would not seek to prevent any media representative from recording, video-taping or broadcasting the lecture, preferring instead to leave the entire matter in the hands of Dean's agent.

Case added, however, that he doubts Dean will speak if television or video cameras are present. In an effort to determine the legality of Dean's ban, Case sought the counsel of the Ethics Committee of Sigma Delta Chi, Society of Professional Journalists, but by early this week had received no advice.

Without any actions to the contrary, plans are proceeding toward what may become SAC's most notable lecture in recent years.

And if Dean is a box office hit tomorrow, what's on the

". . .Ehrlichman asked me to deep-six a briefcase and to shred documents from the plumbers unit. . ."

drawing board? "We're kind of toying with the idea of bringing Martha Mitchell in next," McCain joked.

Or was he joking? Keep your phone free, Martha; SAC may be



SPOTLIGHTS AND RED CARPETS-The grand opening of the renovated Phillips Hall Theatre last night had all the glitter and excitement of a Hollywood premiere. The main attraction is the current showing of the comedy "You Can't Take

it With You" starring the notable actor Sterling Holloway and a supporting cast of 18 SAC drama students. The play continues tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. with admission prices of \$2 at the door.

Student kidnap confusion rectified by investigation

"Elementary, my dear Watson," might be Sherlock Holmes' reaction to the confusing kidnapping caper reported by el DON on Feb. 14.

At that time "whodunit" to whom was a mystery that was compounded by erroneous reporting by the Santa Ana Police and county newspapers.

The confusion stemmed from the fact that there were two seperate kidnapping incidents in Santa Ana on the same night, Feb. 3. The victims were James Huizar, a SAC student abducted from the campus parking lot, and Clyde Willingham, a city resident that was forced into a car at 4th and Ross streets.

Somehow the two incidents were merged into one conflicting

report by the SAPD, the Register and the Anaheim Bulletin. A police spokesman stated, "It is ironic that there were two kidnappings on the same day."

According to police investigators, Huizar was approached by two black men in the SAC parking lot, forced into the back seat of his own car, and driven to Imperial Highway and Santa Ana Canyon Road. He was robbed of \$20 and his car, but released unharmed.

Willingham was kidnapped by two white men, and later released without being physically assaulted. The suspects in both cases are still at large.

In an effort to locate the

principals in the case, el DON printed a quote from Stew Case, SAC director of community services, who stated that he thought, "The whole case may be a phony deal to cover-up another activity." He, along with everyone else, was under the impression that there was only one kidnapping.

The ensuing confusion was finally cleared-up when the elusive Clyde Willingham complained about that statement to the SAPD, who relayed the information to Case and the el DON.

But the mystery of "Whodunit to Whom" is only half solved. Perhaps Sherlock and Watson could help the police deduce "Whodunit."

Mayday, Mayday! New emergency unit for campus

SAC's Health Center will add a new area of service this semester. A remote base control radio unit is being installed for use in emergencies. They have received the unit, and are waiting for the phone company to install the line.

Any calls from switchboard will come to a desk unit in the health office. A direct line will go to the security

This way, security can be notified of the emergency, and they can be at the scene when the nurse arrives. If an ambulance is needed, the security can call them on their radios.

"This will be a more efficient

way to handle emergencies," said Mary Jane Carbone, the coordinator of the Health Center. "I will be able to know what is wrong and have an idea of what first aid equipment to bring. The security guards have had first aid training, and they will be able to assist me."

The system is being paid for out of the Health Center's budget.

This is just one service offered to SAC students. Nurses are on duty daily, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; physicians and psychiatrists are available by appointment.

The health center is located in room U-8, adjacent to the cafeteria, off the patio. It is

equipped to give treatment for medical problems and illness. Minor surgery, such as removal of a wart or even removal of a small breast tumor, can be performed.

Mental health services are also available. Students can recieve short term counseling, group counseling, or they can be referred to other mental health agencies if necessary.

In addition the center offers health related counseling in areas of venereal disease, control, drugs and weight control. Preventative medicine is not practiced here. All problems that cannot be treated at the center are referred to other agencies that offer low cost treatment to students.

Body shop

SHOP--Students in automotive lab work with modern equipment learning mechanics trade. Facilities available for limited repair of some cars campus.



Auto lab offers quality repair at discount for students' cars

by John Scott

If you are one of the many average consumers who have crashed head-on into spiraling inflation prices, but still demand quality work on vour automobile maintainance, SAC's auto shops may be worth a look.

Various services are available in the general repairs lab for students' cars. Electrical repair, welding, tune-ups and body work can be purchased for only a \$5 lab fee in certain cases

The student labor is free, circumventing the exorbitant rates charged in many professional auto repair shops.

The SAC auto shops, located behind the library, keep a waiting list of people wishing to

benefit from the services. Sign-ups and service times are from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. in the general repairs lab.

Those considering having work done on their car should be aware of certain procedures and limitations of the student work.

There is a "no guarantee" clause on the repairs, but according to several auto shop workers, "You can be sure that we would never allow a turkey to get out of here!"

Advance planning should be considered by the owner of the car, due to the "slower than most service agencies" time One method of speeding-up the process is for the customer to supply any necessary parts. Some parts can shop, but this usually entails a delay of several weeks.

The body and fender repair lab offers discount work, but only to a limited number of cars. According to Leon Strahn, head of the lab, "There are no instructional values correlated with many of the older models, so I only accept cars I need on that particular day." He added, "Most of the students in this section are pre-occupied in repairing their own cars during the semester."

Despite certain limitations, that dent in your fender could put less of a dent in your wallet if the repairs are done in the SAC auto shop.

be purchased through the SAC

Impressions of SAC in abstract







(Photos by Jeremiah Williams

Campus news briefs

Trustees order action

The Board of Trustees directed President John E. Johnson and his staff to make a final draft of the district's Affirmative Action policy. This final draft is expected to be completed within one month; the Board will vote on it at that time.

At their Monday night meeting the Trustees reviewed Affirmative Action recommendations from the administrative personnel, classified employees and faculty. The final draft will resolve differences between these recommendations.

Instead of voting directly on what changes should be made. Board members reached a consensus through discussion. Three issues were decided: 1) to use the labor pool of Orange County and surrounding areas, rather than the population, as a guide for setting employment goals; 2) to retain the district's anti-nepotism policy; 3) to assign to the Personnel Director the responsibility of implementing the district's Affirmative Action policy.

Women's Center open soon

SAC's new Women's Center will be opening its doors on March 17. The center, located in the north end of the "B" complex, will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Counselors Marcia Mordkin and Claudia Turner will be available by appointment (telephone extension 396).

A women's discussion group will be held every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Information regarding employment opportunities and careers will be available. The center will also have a library of magazines and books of special interest to women.

Aloha for band, choir trip

This March 25 the SAC band and choir will be leaving for an eight-day tour of Hawaii. The groups will be performing twice during their stay and will have an opportunity to visit many of the exciting sights on the islands.

As well as band and choir members, there are other SAC students that will be going along.

Both groups have been involved in various fund-raising events to help finance the trip. Two of the events were a spaghetti dinner sponsored by the choir and special coupons for purchases at McDonalds that were sold by the band members.

OCTD offers discount rate

Orange County Transit District is offering students and staff at the six local community colleges special rates. They will be able to purchase a bus pass that will give them unlimited use of the OCTD seven day service.

The bus passes are \$7 a month or \$20 quarterly, and can be purchased at the community services office from March 25 through April 10.

Campus calendar

Free lectures on Transcendental Meditation are offered every Wednesday at 8 p.m. in Costa Mesa and Orange. For information, call 538-5258 or 642-4741. .

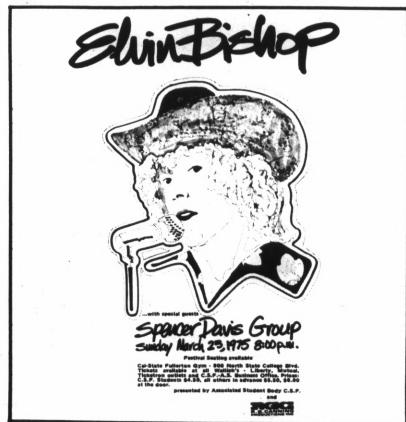
The Occult Scene lecture by Sylvia Paulus continues on March 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge, Awakening Consciousness" will be

held on March 20, same time, same

A Space Fossils show is the current attraction in Tessman Planetarium. Tues. and Thurs. at 7:30 p.m., free admission. . .

The Art Department will open a show, "Student Performances" to run from March

A film, "Who Is This Man Called Jesus" will be shown in the Faculty Lounge on March 20 at 11 a.m. . .



Success of
equal jobs
at SAC
depends on
Board

"To put good faith in equal opportunity" is the intent behind the Affirmative Action program. Affirmative Action at the Rancho Santiago Community College District came a little closer to becoming a reality at Monday night's Board of Trustees meeting.

The Board members received three proposals concerning the implementation of Affirmative Action from the Classified Employees's Association, the SAC faculty, and the Administration. The three proposals all share the same basic concepts. The differences are the fine points of just how Affirmative Action could be implemented at Santa Ana College.

The premise of Affirmative Action is to employ the same percentage of minorities and women as that of the available labor force.

For instance, 10 per cent of the district's labor pool are

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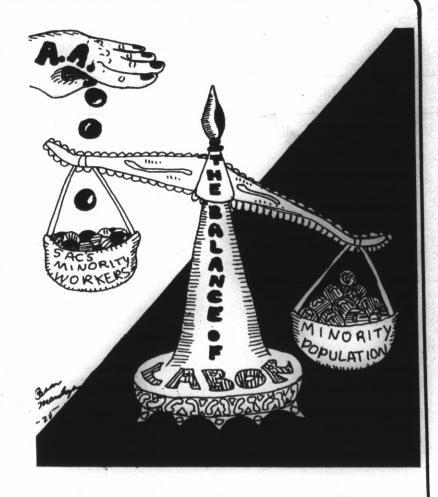
Chicanos, therefore under Affirmative Action, there will be a goal of 10 per cent Chicanos on the work force at SAC.

To some, these measures may sound extreme, but it is time that some definite procedures be made to insure equal job opportunities.

el DON feels that Affirmative Action is indeed worthy of merit, but we believe that the policy will only be as strong or as affirmative as it is enforced and upheld. Strict guidelines must be set and they must be adhered to as closely as possible.

We realize that this plan is not going to obviate every aspect of job discrimination. But we do think it does begin to lay the necessary groundwork for more definite action towards equal opportunity hiring.

The Board will decide on the final draft of the Affirmative Action program in the coming weeks. el DON hopes the Board does not see its duty finished when it approves this program, but will continually monitor it and assure its implementation.



Affirmative action: balancing the weights.

The sins of omission



by Mark Voge

el DON has recently received two critical letters, one of which we, printed a few weeks back.

I do not wish to discuss the relative merits of their criticisms, but rather the request they made. Both letter writers asked for a retraction. Retractions will not be forthcoming.

When a newspaper retracts a statement or fact, it does so because the statement or fact was false and often libelous. The paper could be sued if it didn't comply.

However, this was not the case at el DON. The letters complained about facts and viewpoints that were left out. Thus, it was a sin of omission, not commission. The paper can not retract something it never printed.

I do not mean this to be an excuse. An article should be balanced, i.e. present all sides of a particular issue. A reader has every right to expect fairness and balance from a newspaper.

But, please don't read "fairness" as "objectivity." It is impossible for a human being to be objective; it is a fantasy to believe otherwise. After all, if people could be objective, they would all agree with me.

No one would agree that a newspaper is objective, or even fair, when they are criticized in print. But the American press has developed a tradition of "fair comment and criticism" of anyone who is in the public's eye: entertainers, athletes and especially government officials. The person's performance, and not the person, is criticized.

Realizing that a student is here to learn, we try and offer lenient and constructive criticism of student performances, as we hope you will of ours.

Opinion

For peace's sake no more bucks to Southeast Asia

by Randy Lewis

"The time has come. . .for the Administration to be less concerned about our image as an indefatigable warrior and inexhaustible banker and more about our responsibilities as a compassionate friend of peace."

This statement was made by Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.) in an article that appeared in last Sunday's Los Angeles Times. He was referring to President Ford's request for \$222 million in aid to Cambodia, but his remark could apply just as well to the entire United States' billions-to-anyone policy.

Statistics dealing with our so-called "defense budget" are staggering, and seem to show that our priorities have been perverted. In Southeast Asia alone, we have already spent about \$1 billion this year.

Also, the United States' expected defense spending for 1975 is about \$84 billion. This is more than one-third of the combined \$250 billion that all nations will spend on defense.

We are supposedly at peace with the world, yet for 1975, in this time of "tranquility," our Defense Department has requested funds equal to half the total \$170 billion spent in Vietnam over the past 20 years.

e past 20 years.

As Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield said,

"The more aid we give, the more killings there will be."

"Time is running out," said the President, hoping to get Congress to approve his aid-to-Cambodia plan. Time is running out, but it is running out on the United States.

We are in the midst of a recession, and on the brink of a depression. Millions of Americans are struggling to keep their heads above the waters of an economic flood, yet we continue to pour billions into other countries.

Instead of diverting some of this money into our own country, President Ford is hoping that his "tax rebates" will spur the taxpayers to spend more, thereby boosting the economy.

But will this \$100 or \$200 per citizen offset the \$1.7 billion that he has asked for Vietnam and Cambodia for 1976? Who knows what other countries will ask for when they see what these two tiny nations have received?

The justification for our repeated financing of the wars around the world is that it is all in the name of peace. We are trying to help these peoples attain democratic governments and stave off the communists. What is the result of our efforts?

Since the Paris "cease-fire" of 1973, 1.5 million more Vietnamese have been left homeless, and 340,000 more civilians and soldiers have been killed or wounded. How could we possibly think that the Vietnamese, or the 55,000 Americans who were killed there, would be any worse off if we had not stepped in?

People don't go to a psychotic or a neurotic to get advice on how to be normal, because he has too many internal problems. Unfortunately, people won't hesitate to take his money, for it all spends the same, and the funds of a neurotic United States of America are plentiful, and there for the taking.

Letter to the Editor

Reader questions the facts in sportswriter's column

Dear Editor:

I feel your recent articles of 2/28/75 and 3/7/75 concerning the basketball team, especially the black players, were extremely subjective and very unfair.

In your 2/28/75 article you said that you heard rumors of a boycott among the black players but did you know for a fact that the black players were going to boycott? No you didn't! You also said that the black players showed up late for the Cerritos game. But you failed to tell the public why. Or did you know why? They (the players) were left behind because of a departure time mix-up. Although the black players did not arrive with other team members, they were on the court and dressed in uniform before the rest of the team.

You continue to say they (the Dons) did not play a good game. With a score of 83-82 you tell me what is a good game?

Your column might read better if you bothered to check out the facts completely.

In the 3/7/75 issue you continued your swriting on the downfall of the basketball team, but this time you went too far—so far as to blame George Weaver for the team's (as a whole) and the coaches' mistakes. Why would you single out George Weaver and use him as a very poor example when the team as a whole fell? Can this be the action of a jealous racist?

Basketball is a team sport; one man cannot be blamed for the demise of a whole team. Weaver is a very capable player but people like you just don't know how to appreciate a good thing when you have one.

You also say that Weaver only consented to play at SAC under the condition that Anthony Hannah play too. I would like to prrect you. Hannah convinced Where to come to SAC. Weaver had planned to go to another school. Judging from the treatment given to the black players here it might have been better if he had gone elsewhere. But no, instead he came west with Hannah.

You may again ask yourself "what happened?" This time ask yourself what has happened to el DON? Why should the student body be exposed to such unverified statements as those that appear in your column, i.e., Feb. 28, 1975 and March 7?

There is already too much pollution in the air! Why must you add more?

Audrey Whitehead

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Where Dean, Calley talk Manson is sure to follow

by Ben Crowell

In light of the recent lecture tours inaugurated by John Dean and William Calley, one may assume that America is patronizing its criminals.

Not to be stifled by this mood of corruption, I journeyed north to San Quentin Prison to visit the King-of-the-bad-guys, Charles Manson, just to see if he might have plans in the same arena.

Hey buddy! Where's Manson? I want to get an interview.

Oh yeah, right, you're the reporter from Playboy. Man I am really sorry, but Charlie is in conference right now. He's negotiating with some network and studio boys, plus there's a McGraw Hill dude waitin' to see Chuck in the next cell.

But-

Could you make it next Tuesday, about noon? Charlie will be free for lunch then.

No no pal, I'm from Santa Ana College, not Playboy, and I need an interview with Manson today!

Man that is really a coincidence, Chuck starts his 26-campus lecture tour at SAC. But man there is no way, unless you interview me. There ain't nobody that knows Manson like I do, I'm his agent.

Okay, why not. First question, why did Manson choose SAC to kick-off his lecture tour?

You've got to understand that Charlie is a little paranoid about people. I had to locate schools that promise the least amount of conflict. That's why I chose SAC. One, because Dean had been there. Two, because Police Woman was allowed to be filmed there after three schools rejected the show. It seemed the obvious choice. No other school could come close to SAC

> What will Manson speak on? Murder, mass slayings, stuff like that.

What will Manson speak on?

Murder, mass slayings, that kind of stuff.

Will Manson draw from his personal experiences?

Oh yes, in fact he'll have a slide show from some of his favorite murders never seen or reported anywhere.

You mean murders that he hasn't been accused of?

Right, you see Manson has a story to tell too, just like Dean and Calley, the untold truth ya know?

But Dean revealed the truth about the cancer on the Presidency and Calley was exonerated.

You're really missin' it man. With all this publicity surrounding Charlie's case there's no chance of him ever getting a fair trial, so he can say anything he wants to and no one can prove anything one way or the other.

That's a gross injustice!

No, it's money in the bank. SAC is small time, after the lectures, we plan to open a chain of drive-thru delicatessens. We're going to make Charlie Manson a name to respect.

Do you really believe the American people will buy what you're selling?

Look, right now politics are out, corruption is in. But after Dean and Calley take their turn at the podium, Americans will be bored with mere corruption. That's where Charlie comes in, we'll knock-em out with the murder bit.

Can we expect to see Manson drive-ins popping up after that. After we've incorporated, yes. How does Charlie's Deli sound? You should look into some of our stock options, I could get you in on the ground floor.

No thanks, but Roman Polanski might consider it.

Very funny, but we're not out to hurt anybody, or inform anybody, or preach to anybody, we're just out to make a buck, and with schools like SAC, we will.

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Gala premiere

features gay show

by Louie Euzarraga

Mayhem reigns supreme at Phillips Hall Theatre. "You Can't Take It With You" is a very funny play, full of the romance and laughter of a bygone era.

The production concerns the life and times of the Sycamore family in New York City. The clan lives during the depression, but refuses to acknowledge the defeated attitudes that plague the country.

Highlighting the evening are Connie Priest, in the role of Penny Sycamore, and Michael Quijano, in the role of Mr. Kolenkhov. Priest, with her warm-hearted, though scatterbrained sweetness, shines throughout, as does Quijano, with his brazen and bombastic spirit. They spearhead the production by making some of the funny scenes, funnier.

Sterling Holloway brings out all the charm and warmth of the

household, the irrepressible Grandpa Landerhof. Terri Moore and Debbie Sietz contribute to also

patriarch of the Sycamore

merriment. Seitz with her vivacious dancing is charming, as is Moore with her smiles and double takes.

The only dark cloud in the silver lining of the production is precipitated by the lovers, Jeff Grubb and Moira Persons. It is very unfortunate, because they have a long scene together that is made longer by their performances. There were times

when they make the characters come alive. Unfortunately, the times are few and far between. For the most part they cuddled on the brink of believability.

The rest of the cast, however, provided a very enjoyable evening in this Kaufman and Hart classic. Kaufman, Hart and Neil Simon might make for nice entertainment, but it is important to keep in mind that we're in educational theatre, not little theatre, or professional theatre and certainly not high school theatre.

Greater efforts should be made to include plays that are more challenging to the students. The works of Brecht, Sophocles, Williams and Moliere would offer something more than just an evening's entertainment.



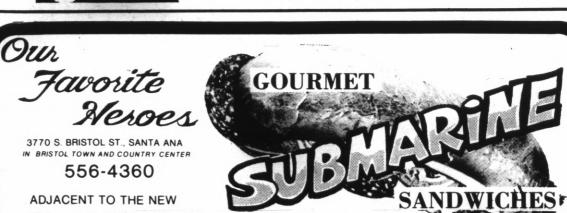


A CARNIVAL -- of expressions add to the antics found in "You Can't Take It With You," being presented in Phillips Hall Theatre. Players photographed here, starting at the top working clockwise, are: John Malone, Priest, Connie Sterling Holloway Michael a n d Quijano.





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Shuler, Gonzales win state crowns

by Don Hansen

SAC's wrestling team took fifth place in the State Championship Tournament last weekend, with the help of very strong individual performances from Don Shuler and Frank Gonzales.

Shuler won the 167-pound crown, with four impressive wrestling matches. The Don pinned two opponents and defeated another pair of competitors. Shuler was named the most valuable wrestler in the tournament which was won by Fresno City College.



He met Florencio Rocha of Bakersfield, in a re-match of the '73-'74 finals. SAC's grappler avenged last year's loss to Rocha, with awesome moves and counter-moves, to

Coach Frank Addleman said, "Shuler totally dominated Rocha, in a very impressive win." Shuler related, "I can't believe it!"

Gonzales become the first wrestler from SAC to win back-to-back State Championships. The Don defeated a duo of high-rated adversaries and two other foes to complete his quest for the 134-pound crown.

In the finals, Gonzales nipped third-ranked Carlos Rodriquez from San Jose 7-6 in the most exciting contest of the tournament. With only three seconds remaining, the Don broke free of a leg hold to win the match. With the victory, Gonzales remained undefeated against California competition on the community college level.

Addleman described Gonzales's victory as "Great!" Gonzales's only comment was,

Last year's state champion at 142 pounds, Jim Wood, finished fifth in the 150-pound division, losing only to this year's winner, Gordon Cox of El Camino.



The el DON sports staff unanimously selected Shuler and Gonzales "co-Dons of the Week."

Both SAC coaches were also honored as Addleman was officially announced the winner of the "Coach of the Year Award" for his guidance of the Dons '73-'74 State Championship team.



DOWN THE MIDDLE-Keith Wyrick, a returning letterman in golf, tees off. The Don golfers kicked off South Coast Conference play this week in search of their perennial state title.

SAC's swimming and diving team, does not expect to win a lot of meets this year. The reason? His squad has only six swimmers and no divers.

Swim team takes a dive

with just six competitors

JUBILANT STRANGLEHOLD--Coach Frank

Addleman's grip was the only one that SAC's Don

According to the coach, a team usually has 15 to 18 members.

by Mike Brossart

Howard Black, coach of

The Don swimming contingent is hampered not only the small number of participants, but also by a lack of experience. There are no returning swimmers on this year's crew.

Black, in his first year at SAC after leaving Cypress College last year, thinks one reason for the small turnout for swimming and diving is the lack of age-group clubs for younger swimmers in the Santa Ana area. "Some of our athletes have never had the chance to compete on a team before." he said.

"We don't have much of a chance in competition," admitted the coach. "We have managed to come close in a couple of meets--for example, against Cerritos we were beaten just 39-30. But we have to forfeit too many events to really score high."

But Black is not unduly distrubed by the dim prospects of winning meets. "What I'm particularly pleased with is the attitude of the athletes on the team," he said. "Most of them aren't really competitive

swimmers, but they work hard."

The six squad members are Tom Malloy, who swims the backstroke; Vicky Elliot, backstroke and individual medley; Jim Canale, breaststroke and Dick Carrea, Randy Beckx and Dave Wall, all of whom swim freestyle.

"Tom Malloy is our most competitive swimmer," Black. "Tom works very hard. I'm pretty sure he will qualify for the Southern California Championships and the State Meet."

In spite of having just six swimmers to coach, Black manages to stay busy. He was an assistant coach for the football team last fall, and is a SAC counselor.

Black is filling in for Bob Gaughran, usually the coach of the SAC water sports teams. Gaughran is on sabbatical leave this semester, but will return next fall, in time for water polo

Sports calendar

Shuler could not escape last weekend as he

dominated the state's 167-pound wrestlers.

TODAY--Track vs. Fullerton at CSULB, 3 p.m. Swimming vs. Mt. SAC, here, 3:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, March 15-Baseball at Mt. SAC, 12 noon.

MONDAY, March 17--Golf, Mt. SAC Tournament at Mt. SAC. Women's softball vs. Fullerton, here, 3:30 p.m. Women's volleyball vs. Fullerton, here, 3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, 18--Women's tennis at El Camino, 2 p.m. Tennis vs. Fullerton, here,

WEDNESDAY, 19--Women's softball vs. L.A. Harbor, here, 3:30 p.m. Women's volleyball vs. L.A. Harbor, here, 3:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, March 20 -- Baseball, Fullerton Invitational Tourney at Fullerton, time to be announced. Golf, Santa Ana Tournament at Mesa Verde. Tennis at Cerritos, 2 p.m. Women's tennis vs. Glendale, here, 2:30 p.m.



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Early golf scores 'acceptable' coach looks for improvement

When asked whether he was satisfied with his team's present average of 77.8 strokes per match, Arlin Pirtle, SAC's golf coach, tersely stated, "I'm never satisfied."

He justifiably added, however, "The team's overall performances are 'acceptable' for this early in the season.'

Pirtle hinted that the Dons must continue to come down cumulatively in order to uphold the winning tradition of past Don golf squads by stating, "All but a few team members have yet to shoot their normal games."

He added, "If we play at around a 76.8 average, we're going to be extremely tough, but I foresee two strokes per man over what we're playing now," meaning 75.8, down from 77.8.

In looking ahead to conference action, which began Tuesday when the Don linksmen traveled to Fullerton for a tournament, the stiffest competition figures to be San Diego Mesa. Pirtle predicted, "If we play to one-half our potential, we'll take the conference."

Following the Santa Ana College Tournament held at Willowick last week, which saw Long Beach City College finish first with a score of 450, Pirtle showed little concern, and reckoned, "I haven't pushed them very hard yet, because I don't want them to 'peak out' this early in the

The SAC tournament, which traditionally hosts some of the toughest teams in the state, saw the Dons finish second with a total score of 459.

Scores compiled thus far show that team members Greg Colbert, Mitch Lee, Keith Wyrick, Larry Cruikshank, Jim Stewart and Dave Arnston have the best averages, respectively. Ranked closely behind are Ed Knight, Carl McCabe, Mike Zumwalt and Kevin Cartmell.

Alaman goes three ways

by Don Hansen

In the age of specialists there's one SAC athlete who doesn't limit himself in just one field-he excells in three sports. He is the Dons' all around competitor in athletics Don (Donnie) Alaman.

In Donnie's first year at SAC he has already lettered on the football squad. He played offensive tackle and defensive end.

In wrestling, Alaman is SAC's representative in the heavyweight division. He has exhibited tremendous strength in many of his matches, and is a shoe-in to letter in wrestling.

Coach Frank Addleman said, "There's a strong possibility that Donnie could become the State Champion in the heavyweight division."

With track and field season not far away, Alaman is expected to lift the spikers with his performances in the shot put and discus events.

Don is one of 11 athletically inclined children.

There are six boys and five girls in his family.

This all-around athlete graduated from Santa Ana Valley High School in 1974, where he earned eight letters in sports, including three in football, two in wrestling and three in track.

Donnie said, "My main goal right now is to get an education. I'm majoring in Liberal Arts.

"My hobbies are all outdoor sports, including motorcycling and horseback riding."

UCLA and Oregon State have offered Don a scholarship in football for the upcoming gridiron

Alaman stated, "I like to compete in more than one sport. I'd go crazy limiting myself in just one field."

Some athletes strive for perfection in one main area, but Donnie is blessed with the ability to excell in three major sports.



(Photos by Kevin Johnson and Eric Hanna) wrestler and shot putter. Alaman keeps busy in the fall by playing on the football team.



Bob LeFevre

Mighty Mushroom

One thing which is always mentioned in sports is superstition. Most coaches will not admit to any game habits, especially winning ones.

Such is the case at SAC. Basketball coach Bill Oates claims no superstitions, although he does not go into a game without a towel in hand. However, the towel serves more of an emphatic purpose than a ritualistic one.

Other Don mentors are reluctant--or refuse--to mention their superstitions. Who knows, any disclosure of such beliefs could be hazardous to a season!

Currently, there is a superstition which is prevailing over all the

All hail the Mighty Mushroom!

The Mushroom is actually a silk-screened, red one on a T-shirt owned by pitcher Gary Steuber. It has nine spots on it, one for each position on the baseball field.

Steuber explained the story behind the superstition.

"Last summer, many of the guys who are on the team now were on a summer league team. One day, I put the shirt on, just for kicks. We won our game that day, and I kept the shirt for the rest of the season, and we won the championship."

Recently, SAC was in a four-game losing skein. Steuber put the shirt on again, and the Dons won three consecutive contests.

In all three wins, SAC played like championship material. They were ready for the beginning of South Coast Conference competition.

It was then that the Mushroom decided to take a vacation.

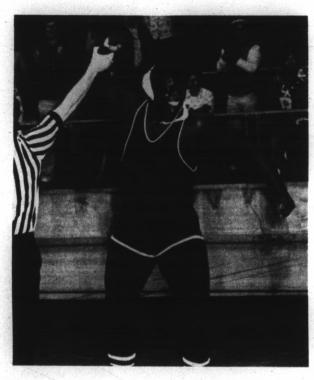
Despite playing close games with Orange Coast and Cerritos, the Dons lost them both. But nobody is despairing. There is much of the season left, and although there is a bit of foolishness in saying so, this could be the first year a plant helped win a title.

One person the Mushroom has effected though, is Jim Gardea. Gardea was the Most Valuable Player in that lucky summer league, but had been hitting inconsistently ever since.

Enter mushroom, exit low batting average. Gardea has been on a tear with the bat since the donning of the Mushroom by Steuber, and will probably want a shirt like that for himself.

Superstitions are like this. They start off as a single habit of one person, and soon mushroom (pun intended) to others around them. The latest fetish of the team may have this everlasting effect, although only time will tell.

The only food of any sort allowed by Coach Jim Reach in the dugout is sunflower seeds. This is evident by the trail of broken shells left by the players after the game. Who knows, maybe Reach will consider extending the team diet to--that's right, mushrooms.



ALAMAN FOR ALL SEASONS-SAC's Don Alaman displays his split sports personality as a

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